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# ANIMALS, REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS OF THE ROSE- BUD INDIAN RESERVATION, SOUTH DAKOTA.

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**B**ELOW is given a list of the animals, reptiles and amphibians seen on the Rosebud Indian reservation, South Dakota, from January 7, 1904, to March 20, 1905.

## AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES.

- 1.—*Bufo lentiginosus* Shaw. Not common.
- 2.—*Rana pipens* Schreber. Common frog. Very abundant.
- 3.—*Rana clamitans* Linn. Seldom seen.
- 4.—*Tammophis sirtalis* Linn.
- 5.—*Licopellis vernalis* Linn. Green snake. Rare.
- 6.—*Pituophis sayi* Schegel. Only one individual of this species was seen.
- 7.—*Sistrurus catenatus* Rafinesque. Prairie rattlesnake.
- 8.—*Crotalus horridus*?  
(The last two species are found everywhere. They have dens in the Rattlesnake buttes. There on warm days they come out and bask in the sun by thousands.)
- 9.—*Chelydra serpentina*?

## ANIMALS.

- 1.—*Lepus nuttalli imallurus*, subspecies *mearnsi* Allen. This rabbit is not very abundant on the reservation, except in the cultivated areas and in the little patches of timber along the streams.
- 2.—*Lepus campestris* Bauchmann. Jack-rabbit. This rabbit lives principally in the "Mauvaises Terres" and in places remote from the settlements.
- 3.—*Zapus hudsonius* Zimm. Spring mouse. Of this species only one individual was seen.
- 4.—*Thomomys talpoides* Maxim.
- 5.—*Fiber zibethicus* Linn. Muskrat. Very plentiful along water-courses.
- 6.—*Microtus hydeni* Baird.
- 7.—*Microtus austerus* LeConte.
- 8.—*Arvicola riparius*. Ord.  
(The last three species are quite abundant.)
- 9.—*Castor canadensis* Kuhl. Rare.
- 10.—*Spermophilus tridecemlineatus* Mitchel. Abundant.
- 11.—*Sorex personatus* Isadore Geoffrey St. Hilaire. Only one individual of this species was seen.
- 12.—*Scalops aquaticus*, subspecies *machrinus* Rafin. Prairie mole. Not abundant.
- 13.—*Vespertilio fuscus* Beauv.
- 14.—*Odocoileus americanus*, subspecies *macrourus* Rafin. Very rare; found only in the "bad lands."

- 15.—*Antilocapra americana* Ord. Only a few of these animals remain on the reservation. Five were seen on Antelope creek near Turtle Butte, in August, 1904.
- 16.—*Procyon lotor* Linn.
- 17.—*Mephitis hudsonica* Richardson. The Great North American skunk.
- 18.—*Taxidea americana* Linn. American badger. These animals are very numerous on the reservation. They live principally in the vicinity of prairie-dog towns.
- 19.—*Mustela pennatii* Erxleben. These animals are migrating southward. They made their first appearance on the Rosebud lands in 1903. They live principally in prairie-dog towns; and their food is the prairie-dog. Whole prairie-dog towns have been destroyed by them.
- 20.—*Lutreola vison* Schreber. Mink. Not numerous.
- 21.—*Putorius longicauda* Bonaparte. A stuffed specimen of this species is to be seen in Mr. E. Jourdan's store at Butte creek, on the reservation. This weasel is not abundant.
- 22.—*Putorius cicognani* Bonaparte. The little brown weasel. Not numerous.
- 23.—*Canis latrans* Say. Coyote. A numerous pest. They even come in the barn-yards in the middle of the day and kill chickens.
- 24.—*Canis nubilus* Say. Gray wolf. Found principally in the "bad lands."
- 25.—*Cynomys ludovicianus*. Prairie-dog. Towns of these little animals are numerous over the whole region.
- 26.—*Lynx canadensis* Desm. Canada lynx. Not numerous.